

**Our nation’s capital**

### historic washington d.c.



Located in between Maryland and Virginia, Washington D.C. is one of the most historic places in the United States. According to the U.S. Census, the population of the city is 601,723.

When you come to Washington D.C., you will never run out of things to explore! From the historical monuments to the museums and art galleries, you have a variety of choices at hand. Since Washington D.C. has 4 seasons, you need to dress accordingly depending on when you visit. Winters are cold, and summers are hot and humid. Spring and fall are beautiful times to visit, with temperatures averaging in the high 60s. 

“Washington is a city of Southern efficiency and Northern charm”

-**John F. Kennedy**

# Welcome to Washington D.C!

## D.C. at a glance

There are so many things to do in Washington D.C. Take your pick!

* -White House
* -Lincoln Memorial
* -Washington Monument
* -Capitol Building
* -Jefferson Memorial
* -World War II Memorial
* -Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial
* -Korean War Memorial
* -Smithsonian Institute
* -Holocaust Museum
* -National Zoo
* -Air and Space Museum
* -Arlington National Cemetery

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## What can you do in the District of Columbia?

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### The white house

Located at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, the President of the United States resides at the White House. It is one of the most recognized buildings in the country, and it is the oldest federal building in Washington D.C. It has survived two fires throughout history ─one at British hands during the War of 1812 and another in the West Wing in 1929.

The White House has a variety of activities for residents including a tennis court, movie theater, pool, jogging track, and bowling lane. Public tours of the White House are available during the week. Requests can be made up to 6 months in advance, so get your tickets early!

### The Washington Monument

The Washington Monument was built to honor our first president, George Washington. It is the world’s tallest stone structure, and it weighs in at 81,120 tons. From the top the monument, you can enjoy a gorgeous view of the city. Tickets are distributed daily, but they are given on a first come first serve basis. Do not miss out!

#### recreation and outdoor activities

Washington D.C. is the ideal place for those who love the outdoors. You can hike, walk, or bike around the National Mall and monuments. In the spring, be sure to take in the beautiful cherry blossoms at the National Cherry Blossom Festival. In the summer, make time to kayak, sail, or canoe along the Potomac River. You may also want to visit the National Zoo, which has over 400 species of animals. If you have time, also head over to East Potomac Park for an afternoon picnic with the children.

#### Entertainment and arts

There is a variety of entertainment options if you travel to our nation’s capital. The National Gallery of Art, located on the National Mall, has works from famous artists such as Pablo Picasso, Jackson Pollock, and Mark Rothko. It also has an outdoor venue for concerts in the summer and ice skating in the winter.

If you want to explore the nightlife in Washington D.C, you can check out the U Street Corridor, which is the center of the music scene. You will find live jazz clubs, indie music, and punk rock in this vibrant neighborhood.

#### where to eat

From burgers and pizza to fine cuisine, Washington D.C. has hundreds of places to satisfy your taste buds. If you love pizza, visit the famous Italian restaurant Mamma Lucia. If you are a seafood lover, be sure to visit The Market Inn, which was once featured on the Food Show Network. If you love steak, visit Monocle on Capitol Hill. You may even run into a Congressman or Senator while you are there. Lastly, if you are searching for a happy hour, head to Dupont Circle in Northwest Washington D.C. for food and drink specials. Regardless of where you choose, one thing is for certain─ you will never be out of options!

#### transportation

Since Washington D.C. is one of the largest metropolitan areas, it has a variety of transportation options. You can ride the DC Circulator Buses or taxis. One of the best ways to get around the city is the Metro. Five different Metrorail lines go around Washington, Maryland, and Virginia. You may also travel to D.C. by car, but street parking can be expensive and hard to find.

